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MSHSAA Broadcast Email

Superintendents, Principals, Athletic Directors, Athletic Trainers, School Nurses QUESTIONS/ANSWERS - NEW COVID-19 RETURN TO PLAY FORM

Since the release of this morning's detailed email broadcast regarding the NEW - MSHSAA Covid-19 Return To Play form, we have received a number of inquiries regarding the following questions.

Question 1: What if a medical professional signed off on the "old" RTP form for the student return to participation and begin the "old" stages/progressions of the RTP protocol?

Answer 1: When a medical professional has evaluated and cleared (signed off) on the RTP form for a student to return to participation, they are granting their release for the student to start the RTP stages/progressions, they are not signing off on the actual RTP stages. Therefore; even if a student has been released by a medical professional on the "old" form, they are permitted to follow the "new" RTP protocol.

Question 2: What if a student had already began using the RTP stages/progressions on the "old" RTP form, do they continue with the "old" RTP stages/progressions or do they start the "new" stages/progressions covered on the NEW Covid19 Return To Play form?

Answer 2: If a student had already started the RTP stages/progressions on the old RTP form, they DO NOT have to continue to follow the "old" RTP stages/progressions, they are permitted to start using the "new" RTP stages/progressions. Example: If a student's last RTP stage/progression that they completed, prior to today, was Stage 1 (activity for 15 minutes @ 70%) then they are permitted to move to Stage 2 today-January 10, 2022. If a student's last RTP stage/progression that they completed, prior to today, was Stage 2 (activity for 30 minutes @ 80%) then they are permitted to move to Stage 3 (activity for 45 minutes @ 80%) today - January 10, 2022. Etc.

Respectfully,

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